Residents' Stimulus Payments

Like all adult citizens in the United States, residents receiving services in certified family homes may shortly receive an Economic Impact Payment from the Internal Revenue Service. Certified Family Home (CFH) providers are to follow the same rules regarding these funds as any other income the resident may receive, be it from Social Security, a job, inheritance, gifts, etc. This means continuing to charge the resident for monthly CFH services in the amount agreed to in the resident's Admission Agreement, honoring the resident's right to the Basic Needs Allowance (if a Medicaid participant), and, if the provider is deemed to be managing the resident's funds, following the rules at IDAPA 16.03.19.275.02. As ever, should the CFH provider wish to change the charges to the resident for services, the provider must inform the resident (or the resident's representative) in writing at least 15 calendar days in advance (or longer, as specified in the Admission Agreement). If the resident (or resident's representative) does not agree to the change in CFH charges, the parties must decide whether or not to continue the admission. Either party may give the other a 30-day written notice to terminate the Admission Agreement at any time; however, the provider may not violate the resident's right to be free from manipulation by pressuring the resident to agree to a change in the charges for CFH services or face eviction from the home. Please contact your regional certifying agent with questions regarding compliance with CFH rules in relation to resident funds.

If there are questions about how the stimulus payment may impact the resident's continued eligibility for Medicaid benefits, please contact Self Reliance at 1-877-456-1233.